

DANVILLE POLICE



California Laws Regarding Child Safety Seats

- Children under the age of 8 or under 4'9" must be secured in the appropriate car seat or booster seat in the back seat.
- Children under 2 years of age shall ride in a rear-facing car seat until they weigh 40 pounds or more or are at least 40 inches tall. Children shall be secured in a manner that complies with the height and weight limits specified by the manufacturer of the car seat.
- Children can move to a forward facing car seat once they have outgrown the legal limits and manufacturer's specifications for the rear facing car seat. Keep in mind that children under the age of 2 are 500% safer in a rear-facing car seat than a forward facing car seat.
- A child is ready for a booster seat when they have outgrown the weight or height limit of their forward-facing harnesses. This usually occurs around 65 pounds.
- Once children reach 8 years of age OR have reached 4'9" in height, they may graduate from the booster seat to a safety belt, however, children are safest in a booster seat until they are 4'9".
- All passengers of all ages are subject to California's Mandatory Seat Belt law.

The Danville Police Department encourages community members to have their child's safety seat checked by a certified technician.

Local Agencies Providing Free Car Seat Inspections: *AAA San Ramon (925) 314-2623

*AAA Walnut Creek (925) 287-7614 (You do not need to be a AAA member)

*CHP Dublin (925) 828-0466

*Safe Kids Alameda (510) 828-0466





